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TO AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE FLASH

AMEMBASSY BANGKOK FLASH

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E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: PINS, LA

SUBJECT:COUP IN LAOS

FOLLOWING IS PRESS GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT IS USING RE COUP:

1. OUR INFORMATION IS FRAGMENTARY AND WE ARE FOLLOWING THE SITUATION AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE.

2. WE KNOW THAT PRIME MINISTER SOUVANNA PHOUMA HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN UNDER CONTROL BY THE INSURGENTS AND THAT HE IS SAFE.

3. OUR POLICY HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE ONE OF STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE PRIME MINISTER.

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4. AS FAR AS WE KNOW, ALL US CITIZENS ARE SAFE. ROGERS

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